

upon the campaign, I was anxious to have an opportunity to meet personally the full membership of the committee. Upon this committee, acting directly with other persons elected in accordance with its authority, rests the responsibility of carrying on this campaign, and I desire, upon this first meeting with you, to express my deep appreciation, not merely of the honor that has been paid to me by the party, but of the organization represented by you, and my entire satisfaction with the platform which has recently adopted, and my gratification, too, that a candidate for Vice-President, who is not only a political friend and a personal friend, but one in which I have entire confidence.

"I do not know how I can better express my feelings on this subject than to say that if I am elected President, and Mr. Bryan is elected Vice-President, I shall not be afraid to die, because I shall feel that the policy outlined in the platform which I shall endeavor to put into operation will be just as faithfully carried out by him as it would be by me. I can express in stronger language my satisfaction on the nomination that the party has made for Vice-President.

As to Publicity.
"Aside from desiring to meet you personally, I thought there were certain things that ought to be decided upon at once, and as I have the honor of having with me this time our candidate for Vice-President, Mr. Kern, I have conferred with him about two or three matters, and I shall present at this time a request in which he and I join. I have reduced it to writing:—

"Gentlemen of the Committee: The platform recently adopted by the national convention of our party at Denver contains the following pledge:

"We pledge the Democratic party to the enactment of a law prohibiting any corporation from contributing to a campaign fund and any individual from contributing an amount above a reasonable amount, and providing for the publication before election of all contributions above a reasonable minimum."

"Mr. Kern and I are in hearty sympathy with the pledge, and are gratified at its adoption. With its adoption a new era in American politics will begin. Elections will then be regulated as public affairs, and the secret will be known to the voters."

"As an earnest token that our party will make good its pledge, we ask you to complete this plank and put it into immediate operation. This can be done by the adoption of a resolution providing for the appointment of a subcommittee to carry out the policy outlined in that pledge, your committee will not accept any contribution whatever from any corporation, and will not accept any contribution from any individual above a reasonable amount, and that will make publication before election of all contributions above a minimum of \$10,000, and all contributions above \$100 to be made public before the election."

"I suggest that on or before the 15th day of October publication shall be made of all contributions above \$100 received by the party, and that on or before the 15th day of October publication shall be made of such contributions on the day that the same are received, and that on or before the 15th day of October publication shall be made of such contributions on the day that the same are received."

"You will notice that the point made in our plank is that the contributions shall be published before the election. It is not sufficient to learn after the election is over the influences that have been exerted by the public. We ought to know before the election what influences are at work to secure the success of a party, and our platform makes that distinction, and we ask that this committee at this time declare itself in harmony with the platform, and that it should so interpret this plank that the public will not fail to see the difference between our position and their position."

"We say that no contribution shall be accepted from any corporation. A corporation is not created for political purposes; it is created for the purpose of doing business, and we want this plank to be interpreted in the result of the election, and we want all contributions above a reasonable minimum made public, in order that the public may judge what influences are at work, and thus be better able to decide on which side to vote; and we have suggested a minimum of \$100 because people can contribute that amount without suspicion, and those contributing small amounts may be so situated that the publication of their contributions would embarrass them."

To Protect Employees.
"For instance, an employee of a corporation might earnestly desire to assist in this campaign, and if his contribution was published it might subject him to punishment at the hands of the corporation, and the arguments that have justified the secret ballot justify secrecy in regard to the contributions so small that they cannot be supposed to represent an interest that is attempted to purchase favors. We have suggested a minimum of \$100 as a minimum. We have suggested the 15th of October as the date upon which all contributions to that time must be published, and that we cannot be accused of desiring to conceal anything, we suggest that where contributions are made after the 15th of October they be made known on the date they are made, and that they may not accuse us of attempting to receive contributions on the last day to too late for publication, we suggest that no contribution above \$100 shall be received within three days of the election."

"We have tried to cover every point. We want to make an honest campaign; we want the public to understand that it is an honest campaign, and we want to appeal to the sentiment of the country—that sentiment that believes demands the return of the government to the hands of the people."

Mr. Bryan's suggestion was promptly

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adopted, amid applause, as was another calling for the publication of a complete list of campaign expenditures within thirty days after the election. This resolution providing for the appointment of a subcommittee was offered by Mr. Hall, of Nebraska.

Adjournment of the full committee followed, and all took luncheon as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan. Mr. Bryan remarked facetiously that he had seen forty-six, adding, to shouts of laughter, that he believed the White House tables were larger.

After luncheon the subcommittee met long enough to determine on the time and the place of its next meeting, and adjourned.

During the day all the visitors then took trains for their homes.

TENNESSEE DEMOCRATS

Present Officers Renominated and Strong Platform Adopted.

NASHVILLE, TENN., July 14.—In a convention remarkable for both size and demonstrations, the Democracy of Tennessee to-night formally ratified the will of the party as expressed in the primary of June 21st last. The ratification of the platform of the party was the first action of the convention, and the platform was adopted by a large majority.

Governor Malcolm R. Patterson, of Shelby county, Justice Supreme Court, Benjamin D. Bell, of Sumner county, Judge Court of Civil Appeals, A. N. Lamb, of Henry county, Railroad Commissioner, Frank A. Arent, of Rutherford county.

The platform adopted "re-affirms the time-honored principles of the party as handed down by its founder, Thomas Jefferson, and as exemplified by the great leaders of the party, Andrew Jackson, John C. Calhoun, and Hon. William Jennings Bryan." It indorses the platform of the National Democratic Convention made at Denver, and pledges its undivided and loyal support to the nominees of that convention. "Being in thorough sympathy and accord with the efforts of the national Democracy to restore the government to its ancient moorings and to re-establish it on the old foundations of the rights of the people and the consent of the governed, we send our greetings to the Democracy of other States, and pledge the electoral vote of Tennessee to its nominees for President and Vice-President."

The plank in the national platform with reference to employers' liability is especially indorsed. On the liquor question the resolution says: "We expressly approve and indorse all the temperance legislation now on the statute books of the State, and pledge our party to take no backward step on the question, but to extend and apply these laws to all portions of the State, and to see that they are enforced whenever the people of the communities to be affected thereby give their consent, believing they have the right to determine this question for themselves. We also favor the strict enforcement of all existing laws relating to the sale of liquor, and the enactment of such additional penalties as will effectually prevent infractions by the withdrawal and forfeiture of the license of those who are guilty of violating the laws."

The resolution further favors legislation that will prevent the acceptance and use by public officials and others of passes, franks and free transportation; such amendments to trust laws and the enactment of such additional laws as may be necessary to effectuate the purpose of the law in the control of the prices of products of the soil or in unfair competition in business.

TAFT WORKING ON SPEECH

Rending Former Letters of Acceptance and Platforms for Points.
HOT SPRINGS, VA., July 14.—Judge William H. Taft has progressed sufficiently with the task of preparing his letter of acceptance, to be delivered at Cincinnati on July 23rd, to make plain the necessity of devoting two or three more days to a study of various platforms of the Republican and Democratic parties and speeches and letters of acceptance covering a good many years before he undertakes the work of putting his ideas in definite form. "He will probably continue to read and compare platforms, speeches and letters of acceptance until next

Friday, and will devote Friday and Saturday to dictating the speech, which will contain only about 3,500 words. Even since the appointment of Judge R. Sheldon, of New York, as the treasurer of the national committee and the determination to have publicity of Republican campaign funds under the New York law, Mr. Taft has daily become more and more convinced of the wisdom of that course, and it is likely that he will give it considerable prominence in his speech of acceptance. In his letter of acceptance he will treat all these matters at greater length, as the letter will comprise about 15,000 words.

Mr. Taft has accepted an invitation from the Virginia Bar Association to deliver an address at Hot Springs August 8th. It is not expected that he will touch upon politics. Stanton, Va., United States marshal, is endeavoring to carry out a plan for a meeting of Virginians at Hot Springs and to have Mr. Taft address them.

FAIL TO HARMONIZE.

Opposing Republican Factions in Tennessee Still Far Apart.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., July 14.—The conference of the Evans-Sanders group, which was held at Chattanooga, Tenn., on July 13th, failed to bring about a harmonization of the Republican party in Tennessee, by which it was proposed to harmonize the party in the State, has resulted in perfect discord. The State committee of each element claimed to be the regular organization, and each refused to recognize the other as having any official standing. It was hoped by the Evans-Sanders group that by electing a Republican Governor, but under present conditions there will probably be two candidates in the field. Both elements will support Taft for President.

PARKED TO GO ON STUMP.

Says He Will Give Ticket Loyal Support and Hope for Success.

HELENA, MONT., July 14.—In an interview with the Associated Press Judge Albert B. Parker stated that he intended to offer his services to the Democratic National Committee as a campaign speaker, and would devote all his spare time to the cause. He said he would speak outside of New York, but at this time could not state what places he would speak in. Judge Parker said he believed the Democrats had a good chance to carry New York this year, and that he would give his hearty support to Bryan and Kern.

From Helena Judge Parker will go to Livingston and meet Delancey Nicoll, of New York, and the two men will spend about three weeks touring the Yellowstone Park. While here Judge Parker has been the guest of Thomas J. Walsh.

ALLA FEELS GUARD.

Slayer of Father Leo Makes Second Appeal to Stay in Prison.

CANON CITY, CO., July 14.—Selling a moment when his guard's back was turned toward him and the door of the cell unlocked, Giuseppe Alla, slayer of Father Leo, of Denver, who is to be hanged this week, felled the man he thought the only barrier between himself and liberty and made a crazed attempt to fight his way out of the penitentiary. The Italian was almost immediately overpowered by the men on the watch, who were seated in front of the cell door, and the almost unconscious man was taken to the hospital. Alla resumed his usual calm demeanor.

It is the second assault Alla has made on his guards in attempting to escape.

Wife of Thaw's Attorney, Who Disappeared, Dies in Hospital.

NEW YORK, July 14.—Miss Clifford Hartbridge, whose strange disappearance last October gave rise to many rumors concerning her whereabouts and her reasons for leaving her husband, Clifford W. Hartbridge, chief of counsel for Harry K. Thaw in his first trial, died yesterday at the Long Island train Friday, the owner, his wife and child being killed, has become a raving maniac as a result of the accident. He was arrested by Sheriff Loper at the Hutchings home, in Eastport, L. I., and is being held to testify to-day at the Center Moriches, where the inquiry will be held.

Since the tragedy Glaw has imagined that he was being pursued by enemies who sought to kill him. He has been under medical treatment, and is somewhat improved now. When the sheriff called at the home to arrest him he readily submitted.

CHAUFFEUR GOES MAD.

NEW YORK, July 14.—Frederick Glaw, the chauffeur who was in charge of William R. Hutchings' automobile when it was hit by a Long Island train Friday, the owner, his wife and child being killed, has become a raving maniac as a result of the accident. He was arrested by Sheriff Loper at the Hutchings home, in Eastport, L. I., and is being held to testify to-day at the Center Moriches, where the inquiry will be held.

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RAINSTON STOPPED FIRE.

Atlanta Blaze Threatened to Destroy Metropolitan Theatre, Loss \$50,000.

ATLANTA, GA., July 14.—A fire which threatened to destroy the Orpheum Theatre and the four-story building occupied by the machinery firm of J. I. T. Case, was gotten under control last night after it had destroyed the building occupied by the Atlanta East Company, a dwelling-house and a number of freight cars. Shortly after the fire broke out a heavy rain-storm came up, bringing a shift of wind, and the fire was held in check. The fire department in subduing the blaze, adjoining buildings were damaged by smoke and water. The loss will not exceed \$50,000.

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Showers Wednesday; Thursday fair; fresh, west to northwest winds.
North Carolina—Showers Wednesday; Thursday fair; winds, mostly light, to fresh and west.

LOCAL WEATHER REPORT.

July 14, 1908.
8 A. M. temperature..... 80
Rainfall..... 0.10
Wind, direction..... North
Wind, velocity..... 6
Weather..... Clear
Rainfall..... 0.10
Maximum temperature..... 88
Minimum temperature up to 5 P. M. 72
Mean temperature..... 78
Normal temperature..... 70
Excess in temperature to-day..... 8
Excess in temperature since March 1st..... 181
Accum. excess in temperature since March 1st..... 87
January 1st..... 87
Excess in rainfall since March 1st..... 3.45
Accum. excess in rainfall since January 1st..... 5.52

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

(At 3 P. M. Eastern Standard Time.)
Place..... H. T. Weather.
Asheville..... 82 91 P. cloudy
Augusta..... 82 91 P. cloudy
Atlanta..... 80 90 Clear
Buffalo..... 65 70 Rain
Chicago..... 72 80 Rain
Cincinnati..... 80 90 Rain
Dayton..... 80 90 Rain
Detroit..... 74 82 Rain
Houston..... 76 84 Rain
Jacksonville..... 76 84 Rain
Kansas City..... 74 82 Rain
New Orleans..... 80 90 Rain
New York City..... 78 84 Rain
Pittsburgh..... 80 90 Rain
Raleigh..... 82 92 Clear
Norfolk..... 80 92 Rain
Washington..... 82 92 Clear
Wilmington..... 80 88 Rain
Yellowstone..... 72 76 Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

July 15, 1908.
Sun rises..... 5:03
Sun sets..... 7:30
Moon rises..... 10:44
Moon sets..... 1:00
High tide..... 1:30
Low tide..... 5:30
Evening..... 6:00

MARCH BY THE SIDE OF WATER WAGON

Emblem of Prohibition States Followed by Missouri Mule Attracts Much Attention.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, July 14.—A majority of the 1,500 delegates to the Prohibition National Convention and many more visitors are in the city to-night, and the hotel public have taken on a real convention aspect. Escorting the delegations from the Union Station to the hotel to which they were assigned, a decorated water wagon, drawn by four white horses, emblematic of the prohibition States of the Union, and followed by a mule, labeled "Missouri, two-thirds dry," caused much amusement among the delegates and visitors. All the larger delegations representing the States which cast the heaviest votes for the cause are on the ground. Delegates from Illinois, Pennsylvania, Indiana, New York, Ohio, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan and California.

The convention will open to-morrow at Memorial Hall. Charles E. Jones, of Chicago, chairman of the national committee, will call the convention to order, and Robert Gibson, of Illinois, as temporary chairman, will deliver the keynote speech. There will be three sessions to-morrow, and if the present plans carry the platform will be adopted at the third, leaving only the nomination of the ticket for the session Thursday.

With seventeen names in the list of candidates, the contest for the nomination for President to-night takes on an interesting aspect.

Charles Schaefer, of Pittsburgh, and Joseph P. Tamm, of Detroit, appeared to-night to have an advantage over the field. Other States will push favorite sons, among the leaders being Fred W. Wheeler, of California, who also has a following among New England delegates; Daniel R. Hoar, of New York; Grand Tyler, Charles E. DeLoach, of Minnesota; Grand Trustee, Alfred T. Holley, Hackensack, N. J.; Grand Secretary, Fred C. Robinson, Dubuque, Iowa; Grand Inner Guard, A. M. Taylor, St. Augustine, Fla. Next convention officers, along with California, are Los Angeles and Detroit, the former winning by a fair sized majority. It is estimated that 35,000 people were served with good things to eat and drink at the barbecue to-day.

It was nearly 11 o'clock before the major officers, along with California, were to business in their session at the Dallas Opera House this morning. Shortly after the opening session the Guthrie (Okla.) lodge, through J. A. Kneigler, presented to the Grand Lodge a beautiful flag, referring being the speaker to the forty-sixth star, representing Oklahoma. Great applause followed the presentation and acceptance.

Growth of the Order.
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